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SENATE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois Senate are saddened to learn of the death of Elizabeth Ann "Liz" Dechow of Abingdon, who passed away on January 14, 2016; and

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WHEREAS, Elizabeth Dechow was born in Geneseo to Larry David and Sue Ann Nimrick Traman, Sr. on December 24, 1975; she graduated from Abingdon High School in 1994 and from Carl Sandburg College with a degree in nursing, where she was recognized for compassionate care during her clinicals; she married David Dechow at the Congregational Church in Abingdon in June of 1996; and

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WHEREAS, Elizabeth Dechow was first employed as a nurse at Galesburg Cottage Hospital; she then moved to Bridgeway, where she was promoted to Residential Coordinator, a position usually held by persons with a higher college degree; during her 9 years with Bridgeway, she received an award from the National Committee for Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve; she most recently worked as a nurse at Dr. Robert Currie's office and for Community Health Services in Galesburg; and

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WHEREAS, For most of Elizabeth Dechow's life, she attended the Assembly of God Church; for the last decade, she was a member of the First Congregational Church; and

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1           WHEREAS, Elizabeth Dechow was affectionately known as  
2           "Twiggy", "Trixie", or "Wibidis" to her parents and siblings, as  
3           "Liz" to her many friends and colleagues, as "Bethbug" to her  
4           family up north, as "Mom" to her 2 sons, and as "Lovely Little  
5           Lizzy" to her best friend and husband; and

6           WHEREAS, Elizabeth Dechow is survived by her husband,  
7           David; her 2 sons, Sam and Ben; her parents; her sister, Dawn  
8           (Rick) Ginther; her brother, Larry Traman, Jr.; her  
9           mother-in-law and father-in-law, Sue and Rick Dechow; her  
10          sisters-in-law, Suellen Dechow and Emily Dechow; her 2  
11          brothers-in-law, Doug (Anna Leahy) Dechow and Richard (Denise)  
12          Dechow; and her nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins, and  
13          their families; therefore, be it

14          RESOLVED, BY THE SENATE OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL  
15          ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we mourn the passing of  
16          Elizabeth Ann "Liz" Dechow, and extend our sincere condolences  
17          to her family, friends, and all who knew and loved her; and be  
18          it further

19          RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be  
20          presented to the family of Elizabeth Dechow as an expression of  
21          our deepest sympathy.